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## **BY EMAIL**

The Honorable Katherine B. Forrest United States District Judge Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

> Re: United States v. Chi Ping Patrick Ho, 17 Cr. 779 (KBF)

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Dear Judge Forrest:

The Government respectfully submits this letter motion in the above-captioned case. The defendant was indicted yesterday, December 18, 2017. The Government understands, based on discussions with defense counsel and Your Honor's deputy, that the arraignment and initial pretrial conference has been scheduled for January 8, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. The Government respectfully requests that the Court exclude time through January 8, 2018 under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), on the basis that the ends of justice served by the exclusion outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial, because it will permit the parties to discuss a plan for the production and review of discovery and will permit the Government time to prepare and begin to produce discovery, which is expected to be voluminous. The defendant consents to this request.

So ordered.

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the reasons state above, to 1/8/18. 12/19/17

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Respectfully submitted,

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